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Mr. Randy Fiorini, Chairman
Delta Stewardship Council
980 Ninth Street, Suite 1500
Sacramento, California 95814

REF: **Support for the May 25 Proposed Amendments to the Delta Plan**

Dear Chairman Fiorini:

On behalf of Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC), I would like to share our organization's perspective and support the ongoing effort by the Delta Stewardship Council to advance the co-equal goals of providing a reliable water supply for California and restoring the challenged ecosystem of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Overall, we agree with the Council findings that the status quo in the Delta is unsustainable and unacceptable. Increasing risks from sea level rise, subsidence and earthquakes in the Delta threaten not only the water supply for more than 25 million Californians, but also the state's \$2 trillion economy that depends on reliable supplies of high quality water.

Most importantly, we agree that Delta water systems need to be modernized with new intakes in a manner that is compatible with all Delta communities. We support the recommendation of building additional storage so that more supplies can be captured during wet periods – like this year.

Our community will continue to reduce its reliance on the Delta to meet future needs through historic investments in conservation and new local supply development. But, water from Northern California will remain an important baseline supply and must help to provide the reserves necessary to withstand droughts. A successful conclusion to your process is critical to advance a modernization of the Delta water system to advance both environmental restoration and water reliability goals for the State.

Again, thank you for your leadership.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Donna', with a large, loopy flourish at the end.

Donna Duperron
President and CEO